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NOTES: Section 4.4 – Solve $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ by Factoring

Goals: #1 - I can factor a quadratic in the form $ax^2 + bx + c$ when $a \ne 1$.

#2 - I can factor a difference of two squares when $a \neq 1$.







#3 - I can use the zero product property to solve $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ by factoring when $a \neq 1$

Homework: Lesson 4.4 Worksheet

Exploration #1: Work with a partner. Find the product.

1.
$$(4y-3)(3y+8)$$

2.
$$(5m+6)(5m-6)$$

CHALLENGE: Can you go backwards? Break $5x^2 - 17x + 6$ into factors.

Notes:

Recall, the standard form of a quadratic function:

When _____, it is simple to factor!

Example: $x^2 + 2x - 35$

When _____, it is not as simple... We are going to use the _____

to factor these beasts.

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Example #1: Factor the expression.

1.
$$5x^2 - 17x + 6$$

2.
$$8t^2 + 38t - 10$$

You practice: Factor the expression.

1.
$$3x^2 + 5x - 12$$

2.
$$12u^2 - 28u - 24$$

Notes:

There are still ______ factoring patterns we can look for!

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Examples:

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Example #2: Factor the expression.

1.
$$16x^2 - 1$$

2.
$$4r^2 - 28r + 49$$

Notes:

We can still use ______ to solve certain ______.

Example #3: Solve the equation.

1.
$$3x^2 + 10x - 8 = 0$$

2.
$$5p^2 - 16p + 15 = 4p - 5$$

You practice: Solve the equation.

1.
$$6x^2 - 3x - 63 = 0$$

2.
$$12r^2 + 7r + 2 = r + 8$$